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For : PHOTOGRAPHING LENS HAVING AN OPTICAL ELEMENT
RETRACTING MECHANISM

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements that were previously filed, Examiner's attention the following two documents which were cited in Office Actions that were mailed on June 3, 2005 with respect to commonly-assigned U.S. Patent Application Nos. 10/815,193 and 10/815,194:

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 4,768,048 to WAKABAYASHI, which issued on August 30, 1988. Applicant directs the attention of the Examiner to the embodiment shown in Fig. 13; and
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 5,264,939 CHANG, which issued on November 23, 1993.

Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), copies of the U.S. patents are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Both of the documents are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application;

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material. However, if an Office Action on the merits has issued and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p) to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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